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SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Sir, will the Government be pleased to place details of the new scheme at least before the House so that they can have the opinion of the House as well and also avoid the fate that overtook the Ryan Scheme? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, I would again like to state that no ill fate attended the Ryan Scheme and if the hon. Member would put a specific question, I would place on the table of the House, the particulars about the new scheme."

SRI M. PALANIYANDI :—" கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, கூட்டுறவு சொஸைடிகளில் கணக்குப் பார்ப்பவர்களுக்கு . அதிகப்படியான ரூபாய் கொடுக்கவேண்டியிருப்பதால் நஷ்டமேற்படுகிறது. ஆகையால் ஆடிட்செய்யும் பீஸைக் குறைப்பதற்கு அரசாங்கம் முன்வருமா ?"

Delimitation of Assembly and Parliamentary constituencies.

* 514 *Q*.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have made any fresh delimitation proposals to the Election Commission regarding Assembly and Parliamentary constituencies of the State; and

(*b*) if so, whether the Government will be pleased to place a copy of the proposals on the table of the House?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) No, Sir.

" (*b*) Does not arise."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Sir, are we to understand that the Government at no stage of the de-limitation proposal had anything to do with them? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Till now, we had nothing to do with that. Now we have to give our suggestions also."

Representations from the Tile Workers' Union, Feroke, Malabar.

* 515 *Q*.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any memorandum, dated 9th December 1953, from the Secretary, Tile Workers' Union, Feroke, Malabar district, requesting the Government (1) to constitute a court of enquiry to go into the conditions of the tile industry and tile workers of Malabar and South Kanara; (2) to set up an adjudication court to go into the question of the payment of wages for days of enforced idleness during the year 1952–53 and to implement the adjudication award for constituting an old-age benefit fund, etc.; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.
" (*b*) The matter is under consideration of the Government."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" In view of the fact that the tile industry is being mechanised more and more, and in view of the fact that the labourers get very low wages and the conditions in the industry are worse than those in any other industry and there is also severe competition, will the Hon. Minister be pleased to constitute an enquiry committee to look into the condition of the tile industry in Malabar and South Kanara also? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Government had proposed to constitute a Committee to go into the question of classification of workers in the tile industry and certain others also."

DR. K. B. MENON :—" Has the Commonwealth Trust approached the Government with a request to make the tile industry a seasonal industry and what is the Government's opinion on the matter if they had been so approached? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, when I was in Kozhikode, I received a representation like that but that has not yet been examined."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" நெசவு ஆலைத் தொளிலாளர்களுக்கு ஏற்பட்டுள்ள குறைகளை விசாரிப்பதற்காக ஒரு முக்கூட்டு கமிட்டி ஏற்படுத்தப் பட்டது. அதனுடைய சிபார்சுகளை அமுல் நடத்த இயலாது என்று சர்க்கார் சொல்லுகிறார்கள். அதேபோல் இப்பொழுது ஓட்டுத் தொழிலாளர்களுடைய கஷ்டங்களை விசாரிப்பதற்கு ஏற்படுத்தப்படும் கமிட்டியின் சிபார்சுகள் ரெகமெண்டேடரி என்று செய்வதற்காகவா அல்லது மேண்டேடரி என்று செய்வதற்காகவா ? இதில் எந்த விதமான நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப்படு மென்பதை தெரிந்துகொள்ள விரும்புகிறேன்."

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, I cannot give an assurance that it will be considered either as recommendatory or as mandatory."

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—" Is the Hon. Minister aware, Sir, that there is considerable alarm among the tile workers in Malabar and that on account of the pressure of vested interests in the tile industry, Government are being persuaded or stampeded into declaring the industry as a seasonal industry, and would Government be pleased to give a categorical assurance on the floor of this House that they would give full opportunity to the labourers concerned and also the hon. Members of this House to express their views on the matter before any such step is taken by them? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, I am afraid it is only the hon. Member who put the question who is creating the apprehension; he is not at all justified in stating that the Government are stampeded into a particular decision."